

October 10, 2008

## VIA UPS OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

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Re: Consent Decree Case #1:06-cv-1456-DFH-VSS Six-Month Status Report No. 4

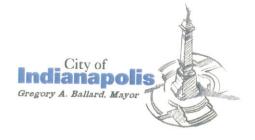
Dear Ms. Swanson, Ms. Dubenetzky, and Ms. Admire:

The City of Indianapolis is pleased to submit the fourth Six-Month Status Report pursuant to Section XI, ¶ 36 of the Consent Decree referenced above. This report covers the period April 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008. Please note that all Consent Decree milestones to date have been met, and that the City has initiated the actions necessary to continue to be in full compliance with all upcoming and future Consent Decree milestones.

Highlights of the City's accomplishments during the six-month reporting period include the following:

- The Gravity Belt Thickeners Achieved Full Operation approximately 8 months before the required date and will help to more efficiently remove and dispose of sludge.
- The bid year milestone for the CSO 205 project was achieved approximately 4 months before the required date.
- A successful agreement was reached among EPA, IDEM, and the City regarding a
  modification to CSO Control Measure 16. The Project, now named the Deep
  Rock Tunnel Connector, is a major enhancement that provides the City with
  enhanced capabilities in capturing CSO flows. The enhancement also makes it

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possible to capture and treat flow from CSO 008 approximately three and one-half years sooner than under the original Long Term Control Plan.

• Planning or design work began or continued for numerous other CSO and SSD control measures, as described within this report.

• Design and land acquisition continued on the City's two supplemental environmental projects: the Banta/ Southport and Epler/Meridian Septic Tank Elimination Projects.

We believe the enclosed Six-Month Status Report is consistent with and fulfills the reporting requirements of the Consent Decree. I would appreciate very much your confirming its compliance by returning the enclosed acknowledgement to me in the enclosed, self-addressed stamped envelope. If you do not believe the report is compliant, please let me know as soon as possible so that we can address any deficiency promptly.

Please do not hesitate to contact either myself at 317-327-5083, or Mr. Steve Nielsen at 327-2381, if you have any questions or comments regarding the enclosed Six-Month Status Report.

Very truly yours,

David R. Sherman, Director

City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works

Enclosures

cc: Gary Prichard, Office of Regional Counsel,

U.S. EPA Region 5 (w/Status Report w/o attachments)

Cyndi Wagner, Section Chief, Wet Weather Section,

Office of Water Quality, IDEM (w/Status Report w/o attachments)

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## **Acknowledgement of Compliance**

The Six-Month Status Report No. 4, submitted by the City of Indianapolis on October 10, 2008, complies with the reporting requirements contained in Section XI, ¶36 of the Consent Decree entered in Case #1:06-cv-1456-DFH-VSS.

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